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A little of this wind will do. Just now, we would rather have good wheat weather

Mrs. D. W. Humphrey

The many friends of the Humphrey family were pained to learn of the death of Mrs. D. W. Humphrey, whose home is in Hoisington, which occurred at the residence of Miss Lowery Tuesday evening, after an extended illness with Diabetes. Some weeks ago Mrs. Humphrey was brought to this city for treatment. All that loving hands could do for her relief was cheerfully done, but it was not to be, and the tired spirit took wings for the other world, while the worn body was left for family and friends to mourn over.

Mrs. Humphrey was born in Knox county, Ill., March 8, 1854. She grew to womanhood in that locality, and in 1873 was united in marriage to D. W. Humphrey, who with three sons, Harry, Clement and Roy, are left to mourn her death. In 1878 the family came to this county, locating on a farm 6 miles north of the site of Hoisington, where they continued to reside until about two years ago, when they removed to the city of Hoisington, there to enjoy the evening of life together, surrounded by their children, their children's children and their host of friends. But the peace and quietude which they sought was not long, for the Ruler of all things saw fit to call the wife and mother from her home, to place her in her heavenly home above, where she is waiting for those near and dear to her who have been left behind. Mrs. Humphrey was a loving and charming person. A good mother, dutiful wife and a neighborly neighbor.

The body was taken to Hoisington on Wednesday, where interment took place. Let her soul rest in peace, let the good that she has done in this world stand as a monument to her in all time to come.

Inheritance Tax A Lien

Unless the inheritance tax on an estate is paid the title is not good, according to the state tax commission and that body is sending out a warning to all title examiners and abstractors to be very careful about reporting a good title to property upon which the tax has not been paid. Several instances have come to the notice of the commission where abstractors did not show a notation on the abstract of the title that the inheritance tax against the property had not been paid.

It is known that several sales of property from heirs of large estates were made before the tax had been paid and that the heirs never did pay. The new owner will have to pay the tax which should have been paid by the heirs. The inheritance tax law which was passed two years ago provides that the tax is a lien against the property of an estate and that the state may take the property if necessary to secure the payment of the tax.

Under these conditions how can Gov. Stubbs nullify the law on small estates?

Army Worm In Oklahoma

Army worms are marching in droves up the valleys in Osage county, Oklahoma, where they are destroying almost every sort of vegetation in their path. These insects seem to prefer tree leaves, but in their route, where they are unable to find trees upon which to feast, they are taking the cornfields.

It is noticeable in Osage and Grant counties, Oklahoma, where the worms seem to be advancing in two divisions, that they are sticking to the territory adjacent to the Midland Valley and the St. Louis & San Francisco railways. The Midland Valley route a greater part of the distance between this city and Tulsa traverses the valley of the Arkansas and the smaller creeks of the Osage Nation. At a point just south of Pawbucka they are said to be so thick on the ground that cultivation of the crops is impeded.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Norris was down from Edwards county Wednesday.

Government Wins Standard Suit

After months of litigation the government has come out victorious in the suit in the Supreme court of the United States against the Standard Oil Co., and by the decision returned that company is a conspiracy and a monopoly in restraint of trade. The court held in part as follows, Justice Harlan, however, dissenting from the opinion of the other justices: "Every contract, combination or conspiracy, in restraint of trade or commerce among the several states, or with foreign nations, is hereby declared to be illegal."

"Every persons (which subsequently was explained in the statute to include corporations) who shall monopolize or attempt to monopolize or combine or conspire with any other person or persons, to monopolize, any part of trade or commerce among the several states, or with foreign nations, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor."

Hoisington Commercial Club Busy

The commercial club of Hoisington is preparing for their annual visit to the towns in its trade territory, including Odin, Dubuque, Stickney, Milberger, Galatia, Otis, Olmitz and Boyd, the trip to be made on June 6th. If the conditions of the weather and the roads at that time is favorable. Nearly all the business men of the city have expressed a desire to go, realizing that similar trips in the past have been profitable and beneficial to them. The only thing we regret about this trip is that we are barred from accompanying the bunch of good fellows who will compose the party.

Little Damage to Fruit

D. Bosse of Lakin township, who is probably as extensive a fruit grower as we have in the county, thinks the damage from fruit so far this season is light. He has a large number of oil burners in his orchard, in order to guard against danger from freezing, and says it has only been necessary to light only a part of them on three different nights so far. If those of our people who pretend to raise fruit would follow Mr. Bosse's efforts to get a crop, we could make this as good a fruit county as Reno. Mr. Bosse has been successful along this line, and last season shipped something like a dozen cars of apples.

Monsignor Then Advanced

The many friends of Monsignor Tihen of Wichita, for the past 23 years connected with the cathedral, will be highly pleased to learn that he has been appointed by Pope Pius X as Bishop of the Episcopal see of Lincoln, Neb., succeeding the late Bishop Bonarum. This is a deserved recognition of one of the leading Catholic priests in the west, and one that brings as much joy to his many friends, the circle of which is not confined to the church, as it does to himself.

Gompers and Others Freed

By a decision of the supreme court of the United States handed down on Monday of this week, Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, as officials of the American Federation of Labor, had their jail sentence which was imposed upon them about a year ago for contempt of court, growing out of the boycott against the Buck Stove & Range Co. set aside.

The court unanimously held that the only sentences that could be imposed on the labor leaders were fines.

The Ellinwood Auto Club

The Ellinwood auto club has arranged for a run to be made next Sunday, Ellinwood to Larned and return. About fifty cars will go into the run, and a happy time is anticipated by those who participate. Why do not the owners of autos in this city get active and have their club up in shape, and take a run occasionally?

Library Board Entertains

The first of a series of entertainments arranged by the lady members of the library board was held last Friday evening, and proved a success, many of the pupils of the 6, 7 and 8 grades, and the high school in whose interests the entertainments are being given, were present, as well as a fair sprinkling of older persons interested in the general good of the community. All the numbers on the program were well received, especially the one presented by Rev. Westwood and his boy scouts, who appeared for the first time in public in their uniforms. Mr. Westwood gave a few remarks on what the scout movement is. The scout movement is intended to teach a boy discipline and independence. It is a clean movement.

For instance should a boy swear other scouts punish him the punishment in this instance being the pouring of water down the uplifted arm. The scouts went through a drill and then squatted for a campfire while the instructor told a story about a man who was lost in African forests, describing how he became lost and the boys were then asked to tell how he could have been found, how he could have let others know where he was and what mistakes he made going into the woods. They found that he made a mistake to venture away with only one shot in his gun when he should have had at least two to give the signal that he was lost. He should have built two fires so that the smoke ascending would have notified anyone who saw it that the person at the fire was lost. And so the different plans were discussed. The boys then divided into two factions and watched a cock fight between two of their number. This probably created as much interest as anything, the audience becoming as interested as the boys themselves. The two contestants had broom sticks, each end of which was padded and with the stick placed beneath their knees and held by pressure of the arms on the same.

Judge Cole gave an interesting talk about the old Santa Fe trail and told a story of Capt. Booth and a lieutenant who were chased back to Fort Zarah by Indians.

Mr. Chas. Townsley's vocal solos and the whistling solos by Mrs. Morgan were enthusiastically received. Walter Deal read an interesting paper on Col. Inman.

Keep A Scrap Book

Every farmer should be interested in keeping a scrap book. It is not hard to do so. Have the book indexed with places for poultry, stock and general farm subjects. When you find something that you think valuable, cut it out and paste it in its proper place. There is no need of having magazines and newspapers accumulate, if you don't want them, if you just cut out the articles you want and file them in your scrap book. When the farmer is too busy with his work, his wife or daughters can see that the interesting things are pasted. Then, too, if the farmer or his children write on agricultural subjects or are correspondents for papers, the scrap book will be a convenient place to keep these articles.—Sterling Bulletin.

Piel - Ingersoll

Mr. Ed J. Ingersoll of Clafin, and Miss Martha Piel of Holyrood, slipped down to Hutchinson Tuesday of this week, and were married. On Wednesday evening a reception was tendered the newlyweds at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ingersoll. Sr., a mile south of Clafin, which was attended by a number of friends and relatives. The contracting parties are well known in and around Clafin, where they have resided for years. They are among the popular young folks of the locality. The Democrat unites with their many friends in extending congratulations.

Common School Commencement

The commencement exercises of the common or grade schools of Barton county will be held in this city on June 13th, with the usual appropriate exercises. The address will be delivered by the Hon. William A. McKeever, of the agricultural college. This is an event in the lives of the young people who graduate from the district school second only to the time when they graduate from higher institutions, and is eagerly looked forward to by them. There are 56 in the class this year. The members of the class and the district to which each belongs, follows:

	Dist. No.
Donnelly Tarpy	8
Velma Cook	5
C. E. Barrows	66
Esther Marchand	69
Zella M. Smith	102
Vernon Durand	65
Bessie Merton	17
Nettie J. Harter	33
Irma V. Baier	33
Dillard J. Luther	33
Earl McDonald	41
Mary E. Gruber	33
Hal Byers	33
Flossie Mushaney	28
Harry LeRoy	28
Ellen Howard	28
Irene Pursel	71
Chester J. Nelson	71
Martha Schults	8
Ross Dawson	71
Anna Geil	11
Glenn Archer	44
John Mull	7
Helena D. Otto	4
Hilda Kreutziger	1
Doc Bird	17
Frank Rohl	35
Ralph Rinker	35
Nicholas Spanier	30
Ida Panning	30
Fred Burmeister	53
Elsie C. Reiman	53
John C. Deal	73
Leon Whitman	66
Carl Larkin	78
Willie Jurgensen	40
Jesse Ewing	40
Roy McCorkle	95
Margery Rowe	103
Ethel Welch	7
Fred Hiss	41
Etta Trester	45
Nellie Shelley	14
Minnie Zoth	87
Fred Baek	Ellinwood
Minnie Danneholm	"
Harry Sprinker	"
Elbert Smith	"
Logan McFarland	"
Fred Sprinker	"
Opal Mettlen	"
Alfreda Mettlen	"
Clara Daniel	"
Ferdinand Vossen	"
Gladys Bankson	"
Maybelle Howard	"
Miss Irma V. Baier received the highest grade.	

The Great Bend Chautauqua

The third annual session of the Great Bend Chautauqua opens July 14th. The High School Y. M. C. A. will have charge of the season ticket sale. Phone Prof. A. F. Senter the number of season tickets wanted. Several additional features will be noticeable this year. Seven big days. A feast of reason and flow of soul.

Seven standard musical companies. Among the lectures especially attractive will be "The Life Beautiful" illustrated by Father MacCorry and supplemented by song. The Royal Guards Band is coming. Lectures and entertainers of national reputation.

Why not phone at once to Prof. A. F. Senter the number of tickets you can use. It is necessary to complete the canvas during the next few days. Encourage the boys and boost for the Great Bend Assembly.

Ice Plant To Start

Great Bend's new ice plant, under the management of George Seely, expected to start this week, and run to full capacity, which is 25 tons. They have built an up to date establishment, and are ready to serve their customers. The best part of this news is that by purchasing coupon books and paying for them in advance, the price will be 40 cents per hundred.

To Value Kansas Railroads

Representatives from ten railroads met with the state railroad board and Carl C. Witt, its new expert engineer, last week, to go over the proposition of taking the physical valuation of the roads under the law of 1907. The railroad men present at the meeting were engineers and attorneys. The meeting was friendly. The railroad men agreed to co-operate with the board in securing the valuation of the railroad property.

The work of securing the valuation will begin as soon as the necessary blanks are turned out of the state printing office. These blanks are patterned after the form used in Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and North Dakota in the railroad valuation of these states. Mr. Witt, the new engineer for the state board, is from North Dakota, and went through the mill up there in this same work.

The railroad representatives will meet with the board again, in about two weeks and agree on the plan under which the work will proceed. The valuation will be dated from June 30, 1911, which is to say the valuation of the roads on that date, will be taken for the basis of the first valuation in Kansas.

To Grow A Campaign Fund

The Socialists hope to carry Oklahoma in 1912, and they propose doing it by growing cotton. William Crawford owns a tract of land near Muskogee. He has turned over five acres of this to the Socialists. They have plowed and planted it to cotton. This work is contributed free of all cost by the local Socialists. They will cultivate the crop, pick and sell it, and the entire gross receipts will be contributed to the state campaign fund for the next election, which will be in 1912.

This plan, which is being followed all over the state, is likely to create a tremendous campaign fund. Five acres of cotton ought to bring \$250. The shortage of funds always has been the great handicap of the Socialist party.

Boy Scouts to Fight Flies

The Rev. Walter Burr, who is at the head of the Boy Scout movement at Olathe, has been engaged by the Kansas board of health to inaugurate a state-wide anti-fly campaign thru the medium of boy scouts and other young people's organizations.

Dr. Crumline, secretary of the board of health, has received word that the boy scouts at Cherokee and Galena have organized to fight the flies. At Weir City and Olathe the movement already is on. Burr will seek to organize the boys of every town to undertake similar campaigns.

Mothers Want Their Sons To Become Boy Scouts

Mothers approve of the Boy Scout organization. While many of them at first were timid about letting their sons form patrols, and go hiking and camping under the guidance of a Scout Master, they now say that the boys have received a great amount of good from the new organization. Scout Master R. M. Walls, of Parkersburg, Pa., writes to the National Headquarters of America saying: "Mothers report splendid results. They find the boys more courteous to teachers and women in general." Hundreds of other reports sent in show that the boys who have taken up scouting are more willing now than formerly to attend to the chores about the house; that many of them offer to help wash the dishes, run errands and show little attentions that give untold happiness to their mothers. Scouts make it a point to see that their small sisters get to and from school safely.

Miss Nellie Johnson has returned from Hargrave, where she went to be present at the wedding of her sister, Miss Lillie to A. V. Rose which took place at the Johnson home on Wednesday of last week.

Wildgen

The many friends of the Wildgen family of Hoisington were pained to receive the information on Thursday morning, that Miss Lizzie, the second daughter, had, after a long and lingering illness succumbed to the inevitable, and had been gathered to her Father's death occurring at 6:30 that morning. Deceased was about thirty years of age. For several years she was a teacher in the Hoisington schools, but was compelled to give up the work on account of her ill health. All that medical skill, a change of climate, or any one could do was done to prolong her young and useful life, but to no avail. She is survived by a mother, two brothers, Harry and Jerome, four sisters, Mrs. John Lewis, Mrs. Tom Churchill, and the Misses Blanche and Florence, all living in Hoisington. At this writing we have not been informed as to the hour for the funeral.

In the death of Miss Wildgen the community in which she has lived for so many years loses one of its brightest stars, her mother and brothers and sisters a devoted sister, her friends a friend at all times, and her church a constant, loyal attendant, and a hard worker. Her place is one of the kind that it is next to impossible to fill, and while the death has thrown a shadow over the community, it is but once more a reminder that we are subject to call without notice, and it is a call from which there is no escape. When the Ruler says it is time for us to come home, we must bow our heads in humble sympathy to the bereaved family.

Wm. Mangelsdorf Dead

William Mangelsdorf, sr., age 65 years, died at his home, Eleventh and Santa Fe, at 6 o'clock yesterday evening of a complication of diseases. The funeral will be held from the German Evangelical church, corner Ninth and Santa Fe streets, at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Burial in Mt. Vernon cemetery.

William Mangelsdorf was born in Arnim, Germany. He came to America in 1856, located at Hermann, Mo., where he lived until 1864, when he came to Atchison. Like many Germans who come to this country, Mr. Mangelsdorf's chief assets were sterling honesty and plenty of industry. He soon saved enough to go into the grocery business, and was a partner of the late John Raterman, sr.

In 1878 he went to Ellinwood, and opened a general merchandise store, and personally managed it until he returned to Atchison, seven years ago. He was one of the incorporators of the Mangelsdorf Bros. Seed Co., and was its treasurer until last July.

His good judgment was demonstrated in every line of business he became interested in, for he always prospered. He possessed the qualities of any man who succeeds; politeness, industry, honesty and fairness.

He is survived by six children: Clara, Edward, Minnie, Frank and Albert, who are at home, and William, of Ellinwood. In addition the following brothers and sisters survive him: August Mangelsdorf, sr., Mrs. Anna Buhman, and Mrs. John Lamers, of Atchison; Henry Mangelsdorf, of Clayton, N. M.; Mrs. Dora Beurman, of Lawrence; Fred Stehwein, of Bushon, Kansas; and Albert Stehwein, of Lawrence. The last two are half brothers.

Six nephews will act as pallbearers.

It was the writer's privilege to have had the personal acquaintance and friendship of Mr. Mangelsdorf for nearly thirty years. He was a man among men who stood for the good of the community, one who did much to make Ellinwood the substantial little city that she is. He was always ready to assist in any public undertaking, always ready to extend the hand of help to his less fortunate neighbors, and an all around, good citizen. The Democrat joins the very many friends of the family in extending sympathy.